

### REMARKS

Prior to entry of this amendment, Claims 18-23 were pending in this application. By way of this amendment, Claims 33-35 are added. Hence, Claims 18-23 and 33-35 are presently pending in this application.

### SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS TO CLAIMS

By this amendment, multiple-dependent Claims 33-35 are added to claim embodiments of the invention as recited in the method Claims 18-23 in valid alternative formats.

### CONCLUSION

Applicants submit that all of the pending claims (18-23 and 33-35) present patentable subject matter over the references of record, and are in condition for allowance. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. If the Examiner has questions regarding this case, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's undersigned representative.

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